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25X1 1. [ ] By way of follow up to my conversations with John Highland yesterday, I informed him that the Director had received a telegram from Senator Wayne Morse (D., Oreg.) asking him to appear before the American Republics Affairs Subcommittee at 10:00 A.M. on Monday but that no commitment had yet been made. Highland mentioned in this connection that the State Department briefing had been put over until Monday and it was apparently the thought of the Subcommittee to have the Director appear jointly with the State representative who will be either Undersecretary Bowles or Secretary Rusk.

25X1 2. [ ] I dropped by the office of Jay Sourwine, Chief Counsel of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, to discuss with him Senator James O. Eastland's letter to the Director asking that [ ] be permitted to cooperate with the Subcommittee in its issuance from time to time of interpretations "by official Soviet sources with reference to current matters of policy". Sourwine is still out ill so I discussed the matter with Ben Mandel, Research Director of the Subcommittee, who was present when Sourwine talked with [ ] a short time ago. Mandel indicated that they were not completely clear in their own minds as to just how far they would like to go on this but said they would appreciate it if [ ] could be made available on an ad hoc basis as the Subcommittee found specific instances where they felt [ ] interpretation might be most helpful. Mandel emphasized that at this point their thoughts were strictly experimental and that they had nothing of a permanent or continuing nature in mind. I pointed out to Mandel that [ ] was kept busy on a full time basis in his job with us but that I would look into the matter further and be in touch.

25X1 3. [ ] I showed to Robert Smart a Top Secret blind memorandum on a sensitive matter pertaining to the Cuban situation. (The memo had been prepared as a result of interest shown by a member of the Kilday Subcommittee during the Director's briefing.) Smart indicated that he did not wish to keep the memo saying that this was past history and that since no good could come from his retaining the memo, he did not wish to have it around so that any bad might result from it.

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25X1 2. [redacted] Inasmuch as the House Rules Committee announced that it was holding hearings on various bills to create select committees and joint committees, I decided to sit in on the hearings. Nothing of interest was discussed other than the Representative August E. Johansen (R., Mich) resolution (H. Res. 38) to create a select committee to investigate seizures of American citizens in foreign countries. Mr. Johansen was the only witness to appear in support of his resolution and made a rather weak presentation. There was no indication as to whether his resolution will be reported by the Committee.

25X1 25X1 3. [redacted] Jim Klein, on the staff of the House Immigration Subcommittee, called and asked if we had any further information on [redacted] which was not included in our report to the Committee of 12 August 1960. CI Staff is checking on this. 25X1

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25X1 25X1 4. [redacted] NED/OSI, called and said that Senator Frank Church (D., Idaho) had asked Mr. Amory if he could be given a briefing on nuclear powered aircraft. Mr. Amory feels the briefing should be given and arrangements have been made for [redacted] and me to meet with Senator Church at 1:30 P.M. tomorrow.

25X1 5. [redacted] John Hogland, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, called to say that State has received a letter from Senator Wayne Morse (D., Greg.) asking that his subcommittee be briefed on the Cuban situation tomorrow morning at 9:30 A.M. Hogland was interested in knowing whether we had been approached by Morse on this. I told him we had not. ✓

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